(c) and (d) Small scale industrial units are also considered for development of items which fall within their capacity. The participation of small scale industry in the *ab initio* developmental contracts value-wise is between 20 to 30 per cent.

Small arms and ammunitions manufactured by Ordnance Factories

3136. SHRI SOM PAL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what are the details of small arms and ammunitions being manufactured by Ordnance Factories;

(b) whether there is a proposal to increase production of these arms and supply these to the Ministry of Home Affairs, State Governments and also to sell in the open market;

(c) if so, whether some study has been conducted as to how much would be the demand; and ;

(d) if so what are the details/estimates?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (DR. RAJA RAMANNA): (a) Details of small arms and ammunitions being manufactured in Ordnance Factories, are given in the enclosed statement. (*See* below)

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) and (d) Information asked for being of a classified nature, it will not be in public interest to disclose it.

Statement

Small Arms

1. Gun Machine 7.62 mm IB (New)
2. Gun Machine 7.62 mm MAG
3. Sub Machine Gun 9 mm Carbine 1A1
4. Sub Machine Gun 9 mm Carbine 2A1 (SL)
5. 12 Bore DBBL Short Gun.
6. .32" Revolver.
7. Rifle 7.62 mm 1A1 (SLR)
8. Rifle 7.62 mm IC
9. Pistol Auto 9 mm.

Small Arm Ammunitions

1. Cartridge 7.62 mm Type HD; BDR, CTN, Tracer M-62, Blank LA, NATO Ball M-80.
2. Cartridge 9 mm Type Tracer, Ball.
3. Cartridge 0.22" Type RF Ball.
4. Cartridge 0.22" Type RF Tracer.
5. Cartridge 0.50" Spotter.
6. Cartridge 0.50" RMG.

Returning of decorations by IPKF Officers

3137. SHRI BHUVNESH CHATURVEDI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some IPKF officers had returned the decorations in protest against widespread criticism of the role of IPKF in Sri Lanka; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the names of such IPKF officers?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (DR. RAJA RAMANNA): (a) and (b) One Army officer, Lt. Gen. S. C. Sardesh-Pande, since retired who had served in the IPKF had returned to the Army HQrs, in April 1990 his Uttam Yuddh Seva Medal which was conferred on him in January 1989. He did this in the context of the criticism in Tamil Nadu of the role of the IPKF in Sri Lanka. Since there is no provision for returning of such awards, the medal was handed back to the General Officer.

Ban on institutions not empowered to Award Degrees

3138. SHRI SURESH KALMADI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 1566 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 21st August, 1990 and

state the steps Government propose to take to ban those 27 institutions which are not legally empowered to award degrees to maintain the standard of education?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA): As and when the existence of self-styled universities comes to the notice of UGC, the Commission has been issuing notices to such institutions to disassociate the word University/Viswavidyaya/Vishwavidyapith against their name and stop awarding degrees in terms of the UGC Act. The Ministry of Human Resource Development and the Chairman, UGC have written to Chief Secretaries of all States/UTs bringing to their notice the existence of such self-styled Universities and requesting them to take appropriate action against such institutions. UGC has also set up a Committee to consider the question of proliferation of such fake universities in the country and suggest ways and means to check this growth, and also suggest amendments in the UGC Act to increase the penalty for violation of the provisions of the UGC Act in this regard.

Fourth Pay Commission's recommendation for Under Secretaries

3139. SHRI MOHD. KHALEELUR RAHMAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the recommendation of the Fourth Central Pay Commission to the effect that the pay of Under Secretary on promotion as Deputy Secretary be fixed by allowing a minimum benefit of Rs. 250/- has not so far been accepted;

(b) whether it is a fact that this is the only recommendation of the Fourth Central Pay Commission which remains unaccepted by Government, whereas many recommendations of the Commission have been improve upon;

(c) whether it is a fact that the said recommendation is still under Government's consideration and the case has again been referred to Government for accepting the same; and

(c) No, Sir.

(d) if so, by when a decision is likely to be taken in the matter?

THE PRIME MINISTER AND MINISTER OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI VISHWANATH PRATAP SINGH): (a) The recommendation has not been accepted.

(b) No, Sir. There are a few other recommendations which have not been accepted by the Govt. Some recommendations have also been improved upon.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

Setting up of common tecting laboratories for testing electronic equipment for export

3140. SHRI HARVENDRA SINGH HANSPAL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is an urgent need for setting up common testing laboratories for electronic equipment and accessories to maintain strict adherence to quality exports by export oriented units;

(b) if so, whether several Electronic Units in the country are manufacturing inferior quality goods and are exporting them;

(c) if so, what is Governments reaction thereto; and

(d) what further steps Government propose to take to keep a control on electronic equipment manufacturing units in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (PROF. M. G. K. MENON): (a) Realising the need for